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Honored Judge

Dear Honored Judge,

My name is Rabbi Yaakov Lehrfield. I have served as Rabbi of the Young Israel of Staten Island for many years. I have known Jonathan Braun for twenty years and have had many opportunities to counsel him while he was incarcerated and since his release from jail.

Despite his past mistakes I have seen Jonathan grow as a person by going to work on a daily basis. He has become a real family oriented man.

Four and a half years ago I had the honor to officiate at his wedding to his wife Miriam. I see him raising a beautiful family, being a good father and supporting spouse. I believe, given the chance, he will continue to be a good hardworking father and spouse for his family.

Jonathan is employed full time and continues to get counseling towards his growth and full rehabilitation. I am always available to Jonathan for advice and encouragement to ensure his continued growth in society.

Thank you.

Yours truly,

*Rabbi Y. Lehrfield*

Rabbi Yaakov Lehrfield

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